INITIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT FAX SHEET OF RECEIPT OF DEFECT INFORMATION REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573

Assigned Recall No. <u>99V-281</u> by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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Part 573 Report Date: September 28, 1999

MANUFACTURER: PACCAR, Inc.

MANUFACTURER CONTACT: Mr. Kenneth R. Brownstein, Senior Counsel

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SUBJECT: 7 Paccar 1997-1999 Peterbilt model vehicles manufactured from March 14, 1997 through September 9, 1999. Meritor 15x4 brake assemblies were installed on liftable/steerable tag/pusher axies contained a size 12 brake chamber instead of the specified size 16 brake chamber. Peterbilt Recall No. 1099D.

This is an <u>initial</u> acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be forthcoming shortly. After our review of your report and associated documents, we may have additional comments or concerns.

In accordance with Part 577, amended July 7, 1995, a draft owner notification letter must be submitted for review prior to mailing.

As stated in Part 573.6, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. As stated in your report, owner notification is expected to begin during November 1999. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due by January 30, 2000.

If you have any questions, please call:

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Patricia Wailace, Recall Analyst on (202) 366-5232 or Jonathan White, Chief on (202) 366-5226 or by FAX (202) 366-7882 Recall Analysis Division



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Dear Mr. Brownstein:

After review of the file concerning this recall, it appears that an acknowledgment letter was never sent to you. Please accept our apologies for this oversight.

We have reviewed PACCAR, Inc. (PACCAR) Defect Information Report dated September 28, 1999, submitted in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573, "Defect and Noncompliance Reports." This recall involves 7 PACCAR 1997-1999 Peterbilt model vehicles manufactured from March 14, 1997 through September 9, 1999. Meritor 15x4 brake assemblies were installed on liftable/steerable tag/pusher axles contained a size 12 brake chamber instead of the specified size 16 brake chamber. The assigned identification number for this recall is 99V-281 (Peterbilt Safety Recall No. 1099D).

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Mrs, Pat Wallace at (202) 366-5232 or by fax at (202) 366-7882.

Sincerely,

Jonathan D. White, Chief Recall Analysis Division Office of Defects Investigation Safety Assurance

